

# **BOROUGH OF GREENCASTLE COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**

**October 3, 2022**

**7:00 P.M.**

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mayor Ben Thomas, President Albert W. Miller, Vice President Jan Shafer, Councilmen Joel Amsley, Wade Burkholder, H. Duane Kinzer, Jeremy Layman, and Scott Reagan. Also present were Borough Manager Emilee Little and Chief of Police John Phillippy.

President Albert W. Miller called the meeting to order at 7 p.m.

An invocation was provided by the Reverend Dr. Bob Cook.

President Albert W. Miller led the Pledge of Allegiance.

President Albert W. Miller said the meeting was being recorded for accuracy of the minutes.

On an Amsley/Burkholder motion, Council unanimously approved the proposed agenda for the October 3, 2022, regular council meeting.

## **Opportunity to be Heard**

No public comments were presented.

## **CONSENT AGENDA**

On an Amsley/Burkholder motion, Council unanimously approved the Consent Agenda as presented.

Minutes of Previous Meeting:

Borough Council Meeting of September 6, 2022

Borough Council Workshop Meeting of September 26, 2022

Accept the Act 44 Disclosure for the Borough's Non-Uniform and Police Department Pension Plans as presented.

Accept the resignation of Larry Faight from the Water & Sewer Authorities.

## **REGULAR AGENDA**

### **Payment of Bills**

On a Burkholder/Amsley motion, Council unanimously approved the disbursements listed on the September 2022 Disbursement Report in the amount of \$383,615.15.

### **Reports from Elected Officials**

#### **President's Report**

President Albert W. Miller reminded Council that it was budget season and noted the first meeting was held on September 28 and that all budget meetings were open to the public.

#### **Mayor's Report**

Mayor Thomas thanked those who participated in the 9/11 walk and said he hoped it would become an annual event. He referenced Fire Prevention Week and invited everyone to the Rescue Hose Company Open House, October 8 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. He referenced a summary report he gave to Antrim Township which he would present later in the meeting. For the complete report, go to [www.greencastlepa.gov/Document Collections/Mayor Reports](http://www.greencastlepa.gov/Document%20Collections/Mayor%20Reports).

#### **Chief's Report**

Chief Phillippy presented the September Report for the police department. Chief said service calls were up 15% from the previous year and that Officer Petrunak had submitted his resignation. For the complete report, go to [www.greencastlepa.gov/Document Collections/Chief of Police Reports](http://www.greencastlepa.gov/Document%20Collections/Chief%20of%20Police%20Reports).

Mayor Thomas expressed his sadness at the resignation of Officer Petrunak and thanked him for his years of service. He also expressed his thanks to his family for their sacrifices.

### **Manager's Report**

Little gave an overview of activities and projects in progress including updating ordinances, the 2023 budget, Square lighting, a mid-October meeting with Antrim Township, the Personnel Handbook, and the rebidding of the CBDG ADA ramps. For the complete report, go to [www.greencastlepa.gov/Document Collections/Manager Report](http://www.greencastlepa.gov/Document%20Collections/Manager%20Report).

### **Committee Action**

#### **Administration**

On a Burkholder/Reagan motion, Council unanimously adopted Resolution 2022-07 creating rules and procedures for public meetings and establishing a code of ethical behavior for officials of the Borough of Greencastle.

#### **Budget and Finance**

On an Amsley/Burkholder motion, Council unanimously approved the annual budgeted donation of \$4,000.00 to the Medic 2 Advanced Life Support Unit.

On a Layman/Amsley motion, Council unanimously approved a COSTARS quote from Capital Electric to replace obsolete variable frequency drives for the Gasho blowers at the Waste Water Treatment Plant in the amount of \$20,003.01.

### **Correspondence**

Mayor Thomas presented *The Mayor's Opinion, The 1965 Proposed Greencastle "thoroughfare" in 2023*. Mayor Thomas spoke about the 1965 Comprehensive Plan and noted it has no bearing today, that the bypass road proposed for Buchanan Flats will create unwanted additional traffic in the Borough, impact Borough roadways, and create unsafe traffic conditions in residential areas. He asked that Council take a position on his paper.

Discussion followed among Council and Mayor Thomas as to the effectiveness and legal impact of the position paper. Council took no action on this correspondence.

Tim Fetterhoff, 180 Baumgardner Drive, said people on W. Walter Avenue bought lots never thinking it was going to be a thoroughfare and now they are upset.

Steve Miller, 232 Moss Spring Avenue, suggested the Borough not support signaling at Route 16 or look at blocking the bypass at the Borough line and waiting until the road can be made safer.

### **Final Comments**

Amsley: None

Kinzer: Referenced an article on the Halloween Parade being cancelled.

Shafer: None

Miller: Thanked everyone for coming and invited audience to attend the budget meetings.

Reagan: Thanked Officer Petrunak's for his service, wishing him and his family well.

Layman: Thanked the public for attending.

Burkholder: None

Mayor: None

### **Adjourn**

On an Amsley/Layman motion, the meeting adjourned at 8:16 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Emilee Little  
Borough Manager